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Historic Towns and Villages Tour Arouca/Vale Cambra Ref. 25316



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Description

This 10-hour circular tour departs Porto for the Arouca and Vale de Cambra region, offering a day of nature, history, gastronomy, and unique mountain landscapes. It's ideal for those looking to escape the urban routine and discover the charm of Portugal's northern interior.

Leave Porto on the A32 toward Arouca, a town within the UNESCO Global Geopark. The first stop is at the emblematic Arouca Monastery, a national monument with medieval origins that preserves beautiful cloisters, a Baroque church, and a museum of sacred art. Strolling through the historic center reveals the town's welcoming atmosphere, featuring traditional shops and pastry shops featuring Arouca's famous convent sweets: sweet chestnuts, sweet black pudding, and cigars.

Continuing along the route, the next stop is the impressive Paiva Walkways, one of the region's landmarks. With suspended trails along the river, between cliffs and forests, they provide direct contact with nature and breathtaking views. For those who prefer a shorter alternative, the Miradouro do Detrelo da Malhada or the Frecha da Mizarela — one of the largest waterfalls in Portugal — are excellent options.

The journey continues towards Vale de Cambra, passing through the scenic roads of the Serra da Freita. Lunch is the gastronomic highlight of the day, at a typical restaurant where you can enjoy regional dishes such as roast Arouquesa veal, old-fashioned pork rojões, or grilled river trout, accompanied by local vinho verde.

After lunch, a visit to Dr. Eduardo Coelho City Park or the Vale de Cambra Municipal Museum is recommended to learn about local history and its connection to industry and the rural world. There is also time for a coffee on a terrace overlooking the mountains.

The return to Porto is a leisurely stroll in the late afternoon, completing a day of cultural and natural exploration in the heart of the mountainous region.

Region



The Arouca and Vale de Cambra region, located between the mountains and valleys of northern Portugal, is a destination of nature, tradition and authenticity. Located in the Arouca Geopark, it stands out for its landscapes of the Serra da Freita, the famous Paiva Walkways, historic villages such as Trebilhadouro and Meiriz, and unique geological phenomena such as Pedras Parideiras. Rich in gastronomy, with Arouquesa veal and convent sweets, this region invites you to discover a rural and genuine Portugal in a peaceful way.

Route

PORTO
AROUCA
VALE CAMBRA
PORTO

- Aprox. 170 km
- 10h trip

Departure from Hotel
8am Estimated Arrival
6pm at Hotel

Price

Price per person:

325€ For 1 person
175€ For 2 people
125€ For 3 people

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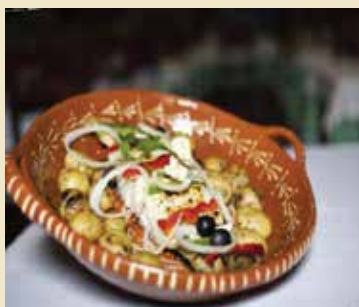
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Restaurante Colher de Pau Vale de Cambra

The Colher de Pau restaurant, in Vale de Cambra, stands out for its grilled Arouquesa veal, traditional dishes such as Portuguese stew, and homemade stews. A rustic and warm atmosphere, friendly service, and delicious, soulful cuisine.



Restaurante Mira Freita Vale de Cambra

The Mira Freita restaurant, in Vale de Cambra, offers traditional Portuguese cuisine in a warm, rustic atmosphere. Its specialties include roast kid, Arouquesa veal, and wood-fired dishes prepared with authentic mountain flavors.